003D.0089.U1(US)

ORM PTO-1390 (Modified) REV. 7-2005) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

 \boxtimes

Express Mail Label No.

· EV 791 731 620 US

22.

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE 17 July 2003 PCT/JP2004/010201 16 July 2004 TITLE OF INVENTION Connector APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hidehiro SHINDO Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3 This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 4. 5 \boxtimes A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) a. 🔯 is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). с. 🗆 An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 6. a. 🛛 is attached hereto. b. 🗆 has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. 🗆 have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. 🗀 have not been made and will not be made. \boxtimes An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT 10. Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 11. 12. A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included: 13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 16 17 A substitute specification. 18 A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21.

IAP20 ROS'G FOTOTO 12 JAN 2006

PTO-1390 (Rev. 07-2005)

Approved for use through 3/31/2007. OMB 0651-0021

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

U.S. APPLICATIO	N NO (if known, see	O (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION N		ICATION NO.	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER			
10/564666			PCT/JP2004/010201			003D.0089.U1(US)		
23. Other iter	ms or information:							
The following	g fees have been s	CALCULATIONS	PTO USE					
24. Basic national fee						\$ \$300.00		
25. Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article All other situations								
26. Search If the written opin by IPEA/US Search fee (37 C as an International Sea previously All other situation	\$ \$400.00							
	TOTAL OF 24, 25 and 26 = \$ \$900.00							
Additional fe sequence list listing in an The fee is \$2	e for specification ting in compliance electronic medium 250 for each additi Extra Sheets	and drawings with 37 CFR (37 CFR 1.4) onal 50 sheets Number o fraction ther						
- 100 =	0 /50 =		0		× \$250.00	\$ \$0.00)	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)).						\$		
CLAIMS	NUMBER F		IUMBER EXTRA		RATE			
Total claims	8	- 20 =	0	x	\$50.00	\$ \$0.00)	
Independent clair	ns 1	- 3=	0	x	\$200.00	\$ \$0.00		
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable)				+	\$360.00	\$ \$0.00)	
		= \$ \$900.00						
Applicant cla	ims small entity st	\$ \$0.00						
		\$ \$900.00						
	f \$130.00 for furnis ed priority date (37	\$ \$0.00						
		\$ \$900.00						
	the enclosed assi an appropriate cov	\$ \$0.00						
		\$ \$900.00						
						Amount to be	\$	
						Amount to be	•	

٦,

10/564666

PTO-1390 (Rev. 07-2005)
Approved for use through 3/31/2007. OMB 0651-0021
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

a.	\boxtimes	A check in the amount of \$	\$900.00	to cover the abov AP20 inclosed FFFFO 12 JAN 200				
b.	b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.			in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees.				
C.	×			harge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.				
d.		Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.						
	NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.							
SE	ND A	ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:		Mark t. Hammy				
Cu	Customer No. 29683 Harrington & Smith, LLP 4 Research Drive Shelton, CT 06484-6212			SIGNATURE				
				Mark F. Harrington				
				NAME				
,				31,686				
				REGISTRATION NUMBER				
				1-12-06				
				DATE				

Express Mail No. EV 791731 620 US 12 JAN 2006 IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of:

Applicant: Shindo U.S. Serial No.:

International Application No.: PCT/JP2004/010201

International Filing Date: 16 July 2004

Title: Connector

Attorney Docket No.: 003D.0089.U1(US)

Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that the following correspondence:

Transmittal Letter to U.S. Designated/Elected Office

Preliminary Amendment

WO 2005/008841 A1 published application and English translation

Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 and references

International Search Report

Check for \$ 900.00

Self addressed stamped post card

Is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, Mail Stop PCT.

Date: January 12, 2006

Ann Okrentowich